## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT

## NOTICE OF REAPPOINTMENT OF MAGISTRATE JUDGE WILLIAM I. GARFINKEL

The current term of office of United States Magistrate Judge William I. Garfinkel is due to expire November 21, 2012. The United States District Court has established a Merit Selection Panel to consider the reappointment of Magistrate Judge Garfinkel to a new eight year term.

The duties of a magistrate judge include (1) conducting preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) conducting various pretrial and evidentiary proceedings in civil cases on delegation from the District Judges; (3) presiding at the trial of civil cases on delegation from the District Judges with consent of the litigants; and (4) handling misdemeanor cases on delegation from the District Judges.

Comments from members of the Bar and public as to whether Magistrate Judge Garfinkel should be recommended for reappointment would be welcomed by the Court and should be directed to Robin D. Tabora, Clerk, 141 Church Street, New Haven, CT 06510 or they may be sent by e-mail to: commentstotheclerkofcourt@ctd.uscourts.gov

To be considered, comments must be received by April 1, 2012.

By Order of the Court

Robin D. Tabora, Clerk